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SUBJECT: REVIEW OF AUSTRALIAN ENERGY R&D PROGRAM

1. DEPT OFFICER JUSTIN L. BLOOM, DEPUTY DIRECTOR FOR TECHNOLOGY, SCI/AE, ACCOMPANIED BY WIFE, PLANNING VISIT TO AUSTRALIA ON WAY TO JAPAN FOR US-JAPAN BILATERAL ENERGY R&D DISCUSSIONS. BLOOM HAS LONG-STANDING INVITATION FROM AUSTRALIAN AEC TO VISIT LUCAS HEIGHTS LABORATORIES AND TO HOLD DISCUSSIONS WITH AAEC MANAGERIAL PERSONNEL. IN ADDITION, HE WISHES TO ESTABLISH FIRMER CONTACTS WITH CSIRO STAFF ENGAGED IN NON-NUCLEAR ENERGY R&D ACTIVITIES.

2. FOL PROPOSED ITINERARY HAS BEEN DEVELOPED IN COORDINATION WITH ATOMIC ENERGY ATTACHES WALKER AND PEARCE AND SCICOUNS BOWEN IN AUSTRALIAN EMBASSY WASHINGTON:

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A. ARRIVE MELBOURNE MONDAY JULY 29, 8:55 AM, VIA PA

811. IN AFTERNOON VISIT IVOR NEWNHAM, HEAD OF COAL RESEARCH AND ROGER MORSE, HEAD OF SOLAR ENERGY RESEARCH, CSIRO.

B. JULY 30. VISIT CSIRO DIVISION OF MECHANICAL ENGINEERING TO REVIEW SOLAR ENERGY RESEARCH. LEAVE FOR CANBERRA IN MID-AFTERNOON.

C. JULY 31 AM. VISIT EMBASSY FOR ORIENTATION DISCUSSIONS WITH APPROPRIATE STAFF INTERESTED IN ENERGY R&D. VISIT MICHAEL FARRELL, PRIME MINISTER'S DEPARTMENT. PM. VISIT CSIRO DEPARTMENTS OF ENERGY AND SCIENCE.

D. AUGUST 1 AM. VISIT CSIRO HEAD OFFICE. PM. DEPART FOR SYDNEY.

E. AUGUST 2 AM. VISIT AAEC HEADQUARTERS; APPOINTMENTS WITH CHAIRMAN BOSWELL AND/OR COMMISSIONER ALDER WOULD BE USEFUL. BOTH ARE ACQUAINTED WITH BLOOM. ALSO WISH APPOINTMENT WITH FRANK BETT, HEAD OF SAFEGUARDS. PM. VISIT AAEC LUCAS HEIGHTS FACILITY.

F. AUGUST 3. FREE DAY. DEPART FOR TOKYO 10:30 PM VIA JAL 772.

3. EMBASSY INVITED TO HAVE REPRESENTATIVE PARTICIPATE IN ANY OR ALL OF ACTIVITIES ABOVE. REQUEST EMBASSY VIEWS ON ITINERARY AND WOULD WELCOME SUGGESTED ADDITIONS OR ALTERATIONS.

4. EMBASSY ASSISTANCE ALSO REQUESTED AS FOLLOWS:

A. HOTEL RESERVATIONS (DOUBLE W/BATH, MODERATE PRICE) IN CANBERRA FOR NIGHTS 7/30 AND 7/31. (RESERVATIONS IN MELBOURNE AND SYDNEY BEING MADE THROUGH AIRLINE.) PLEASE CONFIRM.

B. ARRANGE OR CONFIRM APPOINTMENTS WITH CSIRO IN MELBOURNE, PM DEPARTMENT AND CSIRO IN CANBERRA, AAEC IN SYDNEY, AS NOTED ABOVE. ANY LOCAL TRANSPORTATION ASSISTANCE EMBASSY CAN PROVIDE IN CANBERRA THAT IS NOT FURNISHED

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